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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, for the use and ) CASE NO. 06CV2495 BEN NLS  
11 benefit of WESTERN STEEL & METALS, INC., a )  
12 California corporation, )  
13 Plaintiffs, )  
14 v. )  
15 FIDELITY & DEPOSIT COMPANY OF )  
16 MARYLAND, a Maryland corporation; )  
STRONGHOLD ENGINEERING, INC., a )  
California corporation, )  
17 Defendants. )  
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21 TO THE COURT, PARTIES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE ATTORNEY OF RECORD:

22 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendant STRONGHOLD ENGINEERING, INC.  
23 ("STRONGHOLD") is hereby substituting KIRKPATRICK & LOCKHART PRESTON GATES ELLIS  
24 in place of WATT, TIEDER, HOFFAR & FITZGERALD, LLP as its attorneys of record for the above-  
25 entitled action. STRONGHOLD's new attorneys of record can be contacted as follows:

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**I consent to this substitution.**

DATED: June 8, 2007

STRONGHOLD ENGINEERING, INC.

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7 By: /s Charles R. Gossage  
8 Charles R. Gossage  
Executive Vice President  
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10 **I consent to this substitution.**

11 DATED: June 6, 2007

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16 **I consent to this substitution.**

17 DATED: June 7, 2007

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23 ORDER

24 IT IS SO ORDERED.  
25 Date: 6/13/07

  
United States District Court Judge